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VIA U.S. CERTIFIED MAIL

To: The United States Attorney General and All State Attorneys General on the Attached Service List A

Re: Notice of Proposed Class Action Settlements

In re SandRidge Energy, Inc. Securities Litigation, No. 5:12-cv-01341-G (W.D. Okla.); and Duane & Virginia Lanier Trust, et al. v. SandRidge Mississippian Trust I, et al., No. 5:15-cv-00634-G (W.D. Okla.)

Dear Attorneys General:

I write on behalf of Tom L. Ward, Matthew K. Grubb, and James D. Bennett ("Settling Defendants") regarding proposed class action settlements in the matters of *In re SandRidge Energy, Inc. Securities Litigation*, No. 5:12-cv-01341-G (W.D. Okla.) (the "Glitz Settlement"), and *Duane & Virginia Lanier Trust, et al. v. SandRidge Mississippian Trust I, et al.*, No. 5:15-cv-00634-G (W.D. Okla.) (the "Lanier Settlement"), both of which are pending in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma. In compliance with the Class Action Fairness Act of 2005, 28 U.S.C. § 1715 ("CAFA"), the Settling Defendants hereby serve upon you notice of these two proposed class action settlements.

The first proposed class action settlement—the Glitz Settlement—is between the class representatives Laborers Pension Trust Fund for Northern Nevada, Construction Laborers Pension Trust of Greater St. Louis, and Angelica Galkin, on behalf of themselves and on behalf of a class of persons who purchased or otherwise acquired common stock of SandRidge Energy, Inc. between February 24, 2011 and November 8, 2012, inclusive, and were damaged thereby, and the Settling Defendants.

The second proposed class action settlement—the Lanier Settlement—is between the plaintiffs Ivan Nibur, Deborah Rath, Jase Luna, Reed Romine, Matthew Willenbucher, and the Duane & Virginia Lanier Trust, on behalf of themselves and on behalf of a putative class of persons who purchased or otherwise acquired common units of SandRidge Mississippian Trust I between April 5, 2011 through November 8, 2012, inclusive, or common units of SandRidge Mississippian Trust II between April 17, 2012 through November 8, 2012, inclusive, and were damaged thereby, and the Settling Defendants.

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The Settling Defendants deny the allegations in the complaints in connection with both the Glitz Settlement and the Lanier Settlement and deny any liability whatsoever, but have decided to settle these actions solely in order to eliminate the burden, expense, and uncertainties of further litigation. In compliance with CAFA, the following documents referenced below relating to the proposed settlements are included in the compact disc accompanying this letter:

I. GLITZ SETTLEMENT MATERIALS – IN RE SANDRIDGE ENERGY, INC. SECURITIES LITIGATION, NO. 5:12-CV-01341-G (W.D. OKLA.)

- 1. Class Action Complaint, ECF No. 1.
- **2.** Consolidated Amended Complaint, ECF No. 67.
- **3.** Corrected Consolidated Amended Complaint, ECF No. 75.
- **4.** Second Consolidated Amended Complaint, ECF No. 188.
- **5.** Third Consolidated Amended Complaint, ECF No. 225.
- 6. Plaintiffs' Memorandum Of Law In Support Of Unopposed Motion For Preliminary Approval Of Settlement, ECF No. 564, and accompanying exhibits:
 - **A.** Stipulation And Agreement Of Settlement ("Glitz Stipulation"), ECF No. 564-1.
 - **B.** [Proposed] Order Preliminarily Approving Settlement Pursuant To Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(e)(1) And Permitting Notice To The Class, ECF No. 564-1, Exhibit A.
 - C. Notice Of Pendency Of Proposed Settlement Of Class Action, ECF No. 564-1, Exhibit A-1.
 - **D.** Proof Of Claim And Release, ECF No. 564-1, Exhibit A-2.
 - **E.** Summary Notice, ECF No. 564-1, Exhibit A-3.
 - **F.** [Proposed] Final Judgment And Order Of Dismissal With Prejudice, ECF No. 564-1, Exhibit B.
 - **G.** Declaration Of Joseph Mahan Regarding Notice Plan, ECF No. 564-2.

II. LANIER SETTLEMENT MATERIALS – DUANE & VIRGINIA LANIER TRUST, ET AL. v. SANDRIDGE MISSISSIPPIAN TRUST I, ET AL., NO. 5:15-CV-00634-G (W.D. OKLA.)

- 1. Complaint, ECF No. 1.
- **2.** Consolidated Amended Complaint, ECF No. 78.

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- **3.** Supplemental Allegations, ECF No. 120.
- **4.** Notice Of Unopposed Motion For Entry Of Order Preliminarily Approving Settlement And Establishing Procedures, ECF No. 461.
 - **A.** [Proposed] Order Granting Lead Plaintiffs' Motion For Preliminary Approval Of Partial Class Action Settlement, ECF No. 461-1.
- 5. Plaintiffs' Memorandum Of Law In Support Of Unopposed Motion For Entry Of Order Preliminarily Approving Settlement And Establishing Notice Procedures, ECF No. 462.
- **6.** Stipulation And Agreement Of Settlement ("Lanier Stipulation"), ECF No. 463.
 - **A.** Notice Of Pendency And Proposed Partial Settlement Of Class Action, ECF No. 463-1.
 - **B.** Proof Of Claim And Release Form, ECF No. 463-2.
 - **C.** Summary Notice Of Pendency And Proposed Partial Class Action Settlement, ECF No. 463-3.
 - **D.** [Proposed] Order And Partial Final Judgment, ECF No. 463-4.

The hearings for preliminary approval of the Lanier Settlement and Glitz Settlement have not yet been scheduled, but will be heard before the Honorable Charles Goodwin. No final judgment or notice of dismissal has yet been entered in these matters. The Glitz Settlement Materials include a Proposed Final Judgment and Order of Dismissal With Prejudice and the Lanier Settlement Materials include a Proposed Order and Partial Final Judgment. No written judicial opinions relating to the Glitz Settlement or Lanier Settlement exist as of the date of this letter.

Settling Defendants hereby advise you that contemporaneous with the execution of the Lanier Stipulation and Glitz Stipulation, the parties to each settlement executed a Confidential Supplemental Agreement Regarding Requests for Exclusion (the "Supplemental Agreements"). The Supplemental Agreements set forth certain conditions under which the Settling Defendants shall have the option to terminate the settlements and render the Lanier Stipulation and/or Glitz Stipulation void. The parties have agreed to maintain the confidentiality of the Supplemental Agreements, which shall not be disclosed or filed unless required by the District Court. It is customary for agreements of this nature to remain confidential because, as explained by a leading treatise dealing with such litigation, "[k]knowledge of the specific number of opt outs that will vitiate a settlement might encourage third parties to solicit class members to opt out." Fed. Judicial Ctr., Manual for Complex Litigation (4th ed.) § 21.631.

The Settling Defendants have no information or records from which any feasible or reliable estimate of the information specified in 28 U.S.C. § 1715(b)(7)(A) or (B) can be made. Because these settlements relate to securities class actions, the settlement classes are likely to be national

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in scope. A complete list of members of the proposed settlement class members does not exist because many shares of SandRidge Energy, Inc. common stock and common units of SandRidge Mississippian Trust I and SandRidge Mississippian Trust II are held in street name. The only practical way to reach the majority of the members of the proposed settlement classes is by disseminating and publishing notice. It is also not possible at this time to provide the estimated proportionate share of the claims of proposed settlement class members residing in any state to the entire settlement. Much of this information may become available to plaintiffs' counsel and the Claims Administrators if the settlement class members submit proofs of claims. The proposed form of Notice included with the Glitz Settlement Materials provides an estimate, supplied by plaintiffs' counsel, that the average recovery in the Glitz Settlement will be approximately \$0.055 per share of SandRidge Energy Inc. common stock (before the deduction of any Court-approved fees, expenses, and costs), depending on the total claims of all settlement class members and other factors. The proposed form of Notice included with the Lanier Settlement Materials provides an estimate, supplied by plaintiffs' counsel, that the average recovery in the Lanier Settlement will be approximately \$0.289 per common unit of SandRidge Mississippian Trust I or SandRidge Mississippian Trust II (before the deduction of any Court-approved fees, expenses, and costs), depending on the total claims of all settlement class members and other factors.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Respectfully,

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